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I am strongly opposed to the proposed DOJ settlement with Microsoft. The original settlement decree by Judge Jackson was in my opinion totally justified.

I believe that Microsoft's actions over the past decade including the actions to monopolize the browser have served to cost the American and world public in both economic terms and in reducing the amount of innovation and choice afforded by restricting the number of new products available.

By reducing the proposed settlement any from the original severe penalty in both structure of Microsoft and economics constitutes implicit approval of Microsoft's tactics which I cannot accept.

Presently Microsoft's integration of products makes them a monopoly in the computer products marketplace, Microsoft must be split up to enable fair competition in the marketplace.

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